

**Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**Application Ranking Summary**

**Threatened, Endangered, and /or Candidate Species**

<b>Program:</b>	<b>Ranking Date:</b>	<b>Application Number:</b>
<b>Ranking Tool:</b> Threatened, Endangered, and /or Candidate Species		<b>Applicant:</b>
<b>Final Ranking Score:</b>		<b>Address:</b>
<b>Planner:</b>		<b>Telephone:</b>
<b>Farm Location:</b>		

**National Priorities Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Wildlife Habitat Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
1. a. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. b. Address and support existing conservation initiatives such as but not limited to the following or new conservation initiatives that support State, National or tribal fish or wildlife plans: Sage Grouse, Lesser Prairie Chicken, Longleaf Pine, New England-New York Forestry	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. c. Benefit federally listed threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, fish or wildlife species of concern?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. d. Benefit prioritized native habitat critical to a fish or wildlife species?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. e. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. f. Eradicate or control prioritized noxious or invasive species?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. g. Benefit declining or important aquatic wildlife species prioritized in the State WHIP Plan?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. h. Implement conservation practices which benefit prioritized fish or wildlife species in forested areas?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. i. Establish habitat on pivot corners and irregular areas on agricultural land?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. j. Provide self-sustaining habitat for prioritized fish and wildlife while reducing net carbon emissions or boosting carbon storage (e.g., warm season perennial grasses, trees or shrubs)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. k. Benefit migration and other movement corridors for prioritized wildlife?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Business Lines – Conservation Implementation - Additional Ranking Considerations – Will the applicant in the proposed project:	
2. a. Complete habitat development within the first two years of the agreement?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

**State Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Project addresses endangered bat species or their designated habitats.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Project addresses Cheat Mountain salamander or its designated habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Project addresses listed threatened, endangered or candidate aquatic freshwater mussels or their designated habitats.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Project addresses Madison Cave isopod or its designated habitats.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Project is being enhanced with other state, federal or NGO technical or financial assistance.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. NRCS or other agency will be responsible for long term protection of the habitat created through easements, Safe Harbor Agreement, etc.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. Population monitoring is specified by the restoration plan over a certain period of time.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. Project simultaneously addresses resource concerns associated with special habitats or initiatives (ie high elevation red spruce, etc).	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

**Local Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
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1. Project reduces or eliminates animal wastes, sediment, pesticides or other pollutants from a surface water resource such as a stream or wetland that contains listed species or their potentially occupied habitats.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Project addresses the exclusion of people, vehicles, livestock or equipment from resources used by listed species or their potential habitats.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Project will reduce or eliminate animal wastes, sediment, pesticides or other pollutants from groundwater in karst or cave systems.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Project will provide additional habitat in the form of cover (native woody vegetation) or restores natural, light, thermal or hydrologic regimes to listed species habitat.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

**Land Use:**

Resource Concerns	Practices
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**Ranking Score**

Efficiency:  Local Issues:  State Issues:  National Issues:  <b>Final Ranking Score:</b>
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This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

<b>NRCS Representative:</b>   <b>Signature Date:</b>	<b>Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy:</b>   <b>Signature Date:</b>
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